

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:	§	Attorney Docket No.: 31132.227/
Eisermann, Lukas	§	PC811.02
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Serial No.: 10/776,754	§	Group Art Unit: 3738
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Filed: February 11, 2004	§	Examiner: Schillinger, Ann M.
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For: DEVICE FOR FUSING TWO BONE SEGMENTS	§	Customer No.: 46333

Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 12, 2006

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office action dated September 12, 2006.

No fees, including extension of time fees, are believed necessary for consideration of the present paper. However, if any fees, including extension of time fees are necessary, the extension of time is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including those for the extension of time, to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 6 of this paper and include attached replacement sheets and annotated sheets showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.